

SATISFIED WITH COURT SYSTEM.

Filipinos Reconciled to the Recent Changes.

NATIVES REPRESENTED ON BENCH

Civil and Criminal Codes Explained by the Taft Commission—Selection of Judges Pleases the Islanders.

A history of the organization of the Philippine courts, and an explanation of the new civil and criminal codes take up nearly all of that portion of the Taft Commission report published today by the War Department.

Considerable space is devoted to a discussion of the case of Antonio Marjoreis del Rosario, judge of the Court of First Instance of the district of Binondo, in the city of Manila, who was removed for flagrant acts of injustice.

The act of June 11, 1901, passed by the Commission, established a complete system of civil tribunals in every portion of the archipelago. Courts of justices of the peace are established in every organized municipality throughout the islands.

Method of Trials.
The system provides for trial of violators of municipal ordinances by the presidents of municipalities; that the prosecutions for minor offenses and trials of civil actions involving small amounts and the preliminary investigation of higher crimes are confined to justices of the peace, one justice being provided for every town except the city of Manila; that courts of first instance are made up of one or more justices of the peace, and that the chief justice of the Supreme Court, Cayetano S. Arellano, a native of the islands, is held to be an able and distinguished lawyer and an upright man.

On the supreme bench are three Filipinos and four Americans. All the justices of the peace in the islands are native Filipinos. There was ill-feeling at first over the organization of the courts, but the report says, the ill-feeling has subsided, and the reorganization of the judicial system now apparently meets the approval of all except those who were deprived of official positions.

COUGHLIN'S POTENT CHARM.

By Means of It Englishman Bucoes a New Englander.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 23.—Former Mayor John T. Coughlin has reached the city after a long absence.

Several weeks ago Mr. Coughlin who is a lawyer here, was visited by a man who represented himself to be George S. Shentstone, a former member of the famous Coldstream Guards. Shentstone said he had knocked his commanding officer down and to escape court-martial had fled from England.

At the time the man said he had in his possession a Masonic charm of great value, the property of his father. This charm Shentstone said, he was forced to pawn in New York for \$300.

The man went on to say that he had just received word that both his father and uncle had died, leaving him the bulk of their large estates, but that before he could claim the property the family solicitors in England required that the Masonic emblem be handed over to them. Shentstone requested Mr. Coughlin to take charge of his claim and to return the money to advance him the \$300 necessary to redeem the charm.

The request was complied with, and nothing has been heard of Shentstone since by Mr. Coughlin.

MINING OPERATIONS RESUMED.

Region Around Wilkesbarre Recovered From Effects of Flood.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 23.—Most of the mines throughout this region, which were damaged during the flood of last week, were able to resume operations today with a full force of men, and will work full time in order to supply the present demand for coal.

As much delay was caused by lack of cars as by the flooding of the mines. At the No. 5 Lehigh and Wilkesbarre, which was flooded extensively, a nest of three boilers blew up at midnight, and the mine will be idle a couple of weeks before repairs are made.

LAUGH COST HIM HIS LIFE.

Allegheny, Pa. Man Shot by Aged Father-in-Law.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 23.—John W. Moore, a veteran soldier, shot and killed his son-in-law, Thomas Mahanney, yesterday. Mahanney and his wife quarreled and she went to her father, who said he would kill Mahanney. This was last Friday.

Moore went to Mahanney's house, on Cass Avenue, Allegheny, with a revolver in his hand. Mrs. Mahanney knocked the weapon to the floor. Moore picked it up again.

Mahanney, amused at the old man's actions, laughed, and Moore shot him through the heart.

MORGAN AS SANTA CLAUS.

Presents Ten Clerks With Five Thousand Dollars Each.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Ten clerks employed by J. Pierpont Morgan are reported to have each received from the banker a Christmas present of a \$5,000 gold certificate.

A messenger for Mr. Morgan drew the bills from the sub-treasury.

McGovern and Young Corbett.

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Another "Liverpool Fraud" Arrest.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—A bookmaker of the name of Stiles was arrested at Broad Street on Saturday charged with complicity in the Bank of Liverpool frauds.

H. C. PAYNE'S QUEER VISITOR.

Woman Lays Siege to Office Till Police Arrive.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 23.—Claiming to be acquainted with Henry C. Payne, and to be an old schoolmate of Charles F. Plister, a woman, whose name was not divulged, but who is said to be well known, entered the office of the Milwaukee Street Railway Company on Saturday afternoon with the announced purpose of selling Mr. Payne some diamonds.

Mr. Payne's private secretary, F. H. Whitney, received the woman, and on looking at the diamonds which she offered, decided they were a good article of cut glass, and tried to dismiss her. She grew abusive and finally broke into hysterical weeping and shrieking.

When persuaded to go into an outer office and locked out, the woman grew violent, pounding and kicking at the door, and threatening vengeance.

After holding the office force prisoners inside the door for half an hour the woman finally went away and later was arrested. The police refused to give out any information about her.

HARVARD STUDENTS FORSAKE LUXURY.

COMING BACK TO OLD ROOMS.

Beginning to See That Quarters Which Were Good Enough for Sewell, Longfellow, and Such Men Are the Best.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 23.—Swimming tanks, bathrooms, valets and all of the accompaniments of the college are giving way to the atmosphere of real college life, and this fall a large number of the wealthy and prominent students at Harvard have moved from their former splendid apartments into rooms in the college yard.

This exodus to the shade of the elm trees had been led by two class presidents—James Burgess, of Boston, of the sophomore class, and Richard Derby, of New York, of the junior class. Derby was last year in Claverly, the most expensive dormitory in Harvard, while Burgess, with his roommate, Harold Otis, of Brooklyn, lived in Holyoke Street. This year Derby is occupying No. 13 Holworth, a dormitory inspected by King Edward when he visited this country in his youth, and surrounded by many other historic associations.

It took no little "pull" to get Derby his room, for under the common system of allotment he might have waited a long time in getting it. The authorities are open in their desire to attract men back into the yard and it is generally understood that they will do anything in their power to see leaders of the student body room in the college dormitories.

Influence of Leadership.
Some such influence, it is said, was exerted to secure rooms for Burgess and Derby, with the hope that other leading men in university life might be led by their example to come back into the yard. The suggestion is based upon an article by Prof. Byron S. Hurlbut, recording secretary of the university, published in the "Harvard Advertiser" early in the year, and strongly urging upon Crimmins' students the advantages of living in the college dormitories.

Burgess is one of the most popular and influential men in the university. Last year he was captain of his freshman football team and this year he made his "H" on the varsity eleven. But his great power lies in his strong magnetic personality and in the open, democratic way in which he mixes with his fellow-students. Probably no other man who has ever come to Harvard has exerted so great an influence upon certain lines as has Burgess.

When he was elected president of his class last year, he determined that every freshman should know every other freshman, and to that end he instituted a series of social evenings, which molded the class together as no class at Harvard has ever been united before. This action, together with many others, has given Burgess a strong influence over his classmates, and his present action in coming back to the college yard is likely to have a far-reaching influence.

Burgess and Otis room in No. 8 Hollis. Otis was ex-captain of the freshman crew last year and a very good man.

All Are Coming In.

Another Boston boy who has forsaken luxury for the yard is Edison Lewis, who, although living so near Cambridge, had money enough to fit out magnificent apartments in Claverly Hall last year. With him came R. D. Pruyn, the hockey player, who also lived in Claverly, while two Beck Hall boys—R. Inglis, of Middletown, Conn., and H. L. Warren, of Cleveland, Ohio.—are also among the number who have come back into the college yard.

If this year's exodus can be taken as any indication, next year will see a greater number of wealthy and influential students living in the yard dormitories than ever before. And the change is an important one, marking a new era in Harvard's life. It means that men are getting where they realize that there is something more than wealth and luxury in the life of the student.

There is something more to get out of college than the splendid service and spacious apartments of the modern university palace. Luxury and splendor can be had when college days are past. Memories and associations are then impossible. The question is just this: Is it preferable to live in the room occupied in years past by Lowell, Longfellow or Phillips Brooks, or to roll in luxury in a dormitory room? Is it more to be a student of the swimming tanks and the service worth the loss of real college life? And is it not better to go through Harvard with the recollections of coal in the basement and frozen water in the closet than to look back on all the conveniences that people can get any place if they have the money to pay for them?

Harvard men are answering the question in the negative.

Smallpox Among Students.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Smallpox has broken out at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in this city which has about 2,000 students. Among those stricken is Frank C. Lane, of Portland, who is ill with varioloid. Hundreds of students who are now scattered all over the country for the Christmas recess have been exposed.

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Governor Rogers Taken Ill.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 23.—Gov. John B. Rogers is confined to his home at Olympia with an attack of pneumonia. His physicians say he is seriously ill, and a specialist has been sent for.

THE PANAMA DEAL A DEAD ISSUE.

NICARAGUAN THE POPULAR ROUTE

Impression Prevails That No Frenchman Can Revive Negotiations for the Old Hatin Waterway Across the Isthmus.

The decision of the Panama Canal Company to sell its property to the United States at almost any figure it can get, will not be seriously considered by this Government. Forty million dollars is the value that was placed upon the property in the last report of the Isthmian Canal Commission and the Frenchmen propose to accept that figure as a basis of negotiation. For a property upon which so much money has already been spent and which possesses many physical and engineering advantages, that sum would be considered very cheap, but it is believed Congress has already made up its mind to adopt the Nicaraguan route and it will be difficult if not impossible to change this decision.

No Frenchman Could Effect Sale.

It is certain that if another Frenchman comes over here to urge the purchase of the Panama Canal he will not be successful. It was demonstrated in M. Hatin's case that they have ideas of business that are very different from those which prevail here. American influence might yet be able to stem the tide, but in view of the fact that the House is going into the consideration of the Nicaraguan bill on January 7, even they would have to exert a wonderful power to accomplish anything.

Stage of the Negotiations.

Negotiations have already been opened with the Government of Costa Rica for a settlement of the preliminary conditions upon which these countries will allow the United States to acquire a right of way across their territory for a canal. The sentiment in both House and Senate, which has always favored the Nicaraguan route, has crystallized since the last report of the Canal Committee.

It is undoubtedly the popular route among the people of the United States. Under all circumstances, it is believed that nothing can stop this Congress from passing a bill to build the Nicaragua Canal.

CUMMINS' TAX PLAN.

Iowa's Governor Announces How He Will Assess Railroads.

DES MOINES, Dec. 23.—Governor-elect A. B. Cummins has announced his program with respect to the taxation of railroad property in Iowa.

He proposes the creation of a non-partisan commission of three men, to investigate and determine the actual value of the railroads in this State, their conclusion to form the basis of the assessment by the executive council.

Mr. Cummins was supported for the nomination for Governor by those who charge that the railroad property of the State is escaping taxation, and his program created the liveliest interest in Iowa.

The radicals who favor a large increase in assessment and the railroads both incline to oppose his scheme.

WEIRD FAKE PUNCTURED.

Doubter Strewed Tracks in the Ghost's Pathway.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 23.—A series of spiritualistic seances which have been in progress here for several weeks was abruptly terminated when one of the ghosts which the mediums have nightly sent forth from the "eternal resting places" stepped back into the path by a couple of Doubting Thomases.

The ghost set up a howl of pain and the seance was broken up quickly.

EMPEROR'S PROXY WORSHIPS.

Annual Ceremony at the Temple of Heaven, Peking.

PEKING, Dec. 23.—The representative appointed to take the place of the Emperor performed his Majesty's annual worship at the altar of the Temple of Heaven early yesterday morning. It being the winter solstice. This is the most important religious rite of the Chinese Empire.

The reconstructed Catholic mission at Peking, where the most wonderful defeat of the "Boxers" took place, was today dedicated.

The funeral of William Bethick, formerly of the "Herald," was held today. The remains were interred in the English cemetery.

TO RESEED WESTERN RANGES.

Railroads With Headquarters in Omaha Considering the Project.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 23.—Railroads with headquarters in this city are considering the project of reseeding all the Western ranges. The preliminary portion of the scheme involves extensive experimenting with the cultivation of different range grass seeds. The plan includes the ranges of Utah, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Nevada, and Idaho.

The railroads expect the Government to aid. The different stations to be benefited by the project are to contribute a share of general expense.

R. C. Judson, industrial agent of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, is in charge of the project. He is at his home at Walla Walla, Wash., and is already making careful preliminary tests for the promoters.

CHEESE TRUST COMING.

Chicago Man Now at Work Organizing Such a Combination.

DENVER, Dec. 23.—"For a year I have been working out a cheese trust," said R. S. Gamble, a traveling man of Chicago, at the Brown Palace Hotel last evening. "Joseph Leiter is arranging a deal to corner the milk of the country by himself, but with my firm he is interested in controlling the cheese output. A skeleton of the plan was laid before the interested capital the last time I was in Chicago, and the officers were so much impressed with the prospects that they promised to organize before spring."

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PROVED AN EXPENSIVE CASE.

Mulligan Costs Federal and Virginia Authorities Large Sums.

The arrest of Harry E. Mulligan, alias Harry E. Mulligan, otherwise known as Harry E. Maddox, who was charged with having committed larceny at Danville, Va., was expensive to the authorities of both the State of Virginia and the United States.

The prisoner is accused of the larceny of a shotgun at Danville. The weapon was brought to this city, it is claimed, and pawned. With the cash obtained at the pawnshop Mulligan, it is alleged, went to Norfolk, Va.

Believing that Mulligan could be connected with several small robberies, a local detective was sent to Norfolk to arrest him. He was brought back to Washington, but the police were not able to fasten any of the local offences on him.

Mulligan was then charged in the Police Court with the larceny of the shotgun at Danville and held for the action of the grand jury in \$300 bond.

In the meantime the Virginia authorities heard of the arrest of Mulligan and the governor of that State sent a requisition to Chief Justice Bingham sending for the prisoner. Mulligan was released to the agent of the Governor of Virginia.

NEWS AND GOSSIP FROM GEORGETOWN

APPOINTED TO REGULAR ARMY.

Western High School Boy to Continue in the Service—Convent and College Topics—Fire From a Gasoline Stove.

J. Marshall Petty, of 3333 O Street, son of J. F. Petty, Auditor of the District, has been appointed second lieutenant in the regular army, and assigned to the Twentieth Infantry, now in the Philippines.

Lieutenant Petty received his first military ideas in Company H, Western High School battalion, where he attained the rank of first lieutenant. When the Spanish-American war broke out he volunteered his services and went to Cuba as corporal. There he participated in an arduous campaign, and later fell a victim to the fever there. As soon as he recovered he went to the Philippines as second lieutenant in the volunteer army, where he again saw hard service.

A Saving of Assessment.

The opinion of the Attorney for the District, B. D. Durrill, in which he states that the District has no power to assess corner property for mains laid on more than one front, will work to the interest of the Georgetown Convent to the amount of \$200, a main having been erected on a lot abutting the Convent Building. The convent gets a sufficient supply, and all the connections are made from the Thirty-fifth Street main.

To Assist in the Services.

Eight of the priests of Georgetown University have accepted invitations to assist in the celebration of Christmas services in the city.

Christmas Services Yesterday.

Many Churches to Repeat Programmes on Wednesday—Assault Brings to Light a Sunday Liquor Law Violation.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Dec. 23.—All the churches in this city have prepared elaborate musical programmes for the Christmas services, and in several of them special singers have been engaged. The music to be rendered this Christmas will surpass any heretofore given, all of them having made special efforts to make it as good as possible.

The following is the programme to be carried out:

Episcopal—Processional, "On Bethlehem's Plains," Lanning; "Venite," in E flat, Back; "Gloria," Wilkinson; "Te Deum," festival, Marston; "Jubilate Deo," in B flat, Brown; hymn 57, Roper; "Gloria Tibi," Wise; hymn 59, Willet; offertory, "All Hail, Thine Day of Gladness," Spence; offertory sentence, "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow," Burgoes; postlude, selected; holy communion; "Sanctus," No. 85, Garrett; hymn 205, Hodges; "Gloria in Excelsis," old chant.

Choir: Sopranos, Miss Mai R. Greenwell and Mrs. Carroll W. Ashby; altos, Mrs. Mehner and Miss Sara Taylor; tenor, Walter E. Birch; basso, Charles W. Moore; organist, Mr. Charles G. Leonard.

Grace Episcopal—There will be two services, the first at 7 a. m. and the second at 11 a. m. The early service will be the festive celebration of the holy communion to the setting in F, by A. S. Cooper. Introit hymn, "Adeste Fideles," "Kyrie, Gloria, Tibi," in F, by A. S. Cooper. Processional, hymn 339, Smith; "Venite," in G, Onley; "Gloria," in E, D. F. by Trimmell, Field, and Hodges; respectively, "Te Deum," in F, by A. S. Cooper; "Benedictus," in G, Hodges; introit, hymn 52, ancient melody; communion service in F, Cooper; gospel hymn 319, anthem, by A. N. C.; communion hymn No. 225; offertory anthem, "Rejoice Greatly," in E flat, Simpson. The remainder of the service will be the same as that at the 7 o'clock service.

St. Mary's Catholic Church—High mass at 5 and 10:30 a. m.; "Kyrie," Mozart; "Gloria," in C, by A. S. Cooper; offertory, "Agnus Dei," Lajale; "Adeste Fideles," in F, by A. S. Cooper; "Sanctus," Millard; "Agnus Dei," Lajale; "Adeste Fideles," in F, by A. S. Cooper.

Choir: Sopranos, Mrs. Nettie Donnelly Drill, Misses Mai R. Greenwell, Katie N. Gorman, Katie Brill, Effie Lyle, and Margaret Gorman; tenors, Messrs. E. N. Birrell, W. H. Whitcomb, Leo E. Harlow, and T. A. Stoutenburg; basses, P. F. Downey, Thomas Burroughs, Robert Wenzel, and William L. Hoy; organist, Joseph L. Monroe.

Immanuel Lutheran Church—Service in English will be held at 11 a. m. The sermon will be preached by the pastor, the Rev. M. L. Lucke. There will be no special music, but the choir will render the Christmas anthem, "Hark! How the children's voices sing," by Miller. The children's service will be held at 7:30 o'clock Christmas night and the choir will assist the Sunday school at this service.

Choir: Sopranos, Mrs. L. Lucke, Mrs. Atcheson, Misses Anna Dizonetti, Bertha Becker, and Lottie Appich; tenors, Louis Bohraus, Walter Herfurth, and Earl Heil; basses, George Herfurth, Louis Polmer, and Frederick Dizonetti; organist, Miss Anna Reinacker.

The musical programme mentioned in yesterday's Times for the other churches, and which was carried out in those churches, will be repeated Christmas.

Benjamin Scribner at 7 o'clock last night appeared at the police station with his head bleeding profusely. An examination proved that he had received two severe scalp wounds. Scribner stated that he had been assaulted in a barroom and that he had been struck with two beer bottles.

The proprietor of the saloon, James Roberts, and a man named Hepburn were arrested by Policemen Hall and Allen for the alleged assault. The charge of selling liquor on Sunday was also entered on the blotter opposite the name of Roberts. Scribner's injuries were attended by Policeman Herbert Knight. A

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number of witnesses have been summoned to the case and it will be fully aired in the police court.

The Rev. Dr. Willingham, of Richmond, Va., last night delivered an able discourse at the First Baptist Church, and afterward the Rev. George L. Hunt, pastor, administered the rite of baptism to a number of candidates. The services at the Railroad Reading Rooms in the afternoon were conducted by Mr. Signorley, of the Episcopal Theological Seminary, and the resident pastors officiated in the other pulpits.

Rebecca Branson, colored, was yesterday arrested by Policeman Young on suspicion of stealing \$12 from James Craig, also colored.

A well-dressed white man giving his name as H. L. Smith, of Washington, was arrested on King Street Saturday night by Policemen Roberts and Travers, charged with being disorderly, and left \$5 collateral for his appearance in the morning. Smith thought his arrest an unjust one, and stated that he would have a Washington lawyer to defend him today.

The regular session of the Alexandria County Court, with Judge J. M. Love, presiding, convened this morning, and considerable routine business came up for consideration.

A sneak thief on Saturday night entered the residence of B. H. Lambert, on Duke Street, and stole \$11. Some one entered the house through the front door, which was not locked at 8 o'clock, and snatched up the stairs and abstracted two \$5 gold pieces and one \$1 note from a pocketbook in the bureau drawer.

A white tramp named John Anderson, who claims to hail from Richmond, and who was on Saturday sent out of the city, having been charged with vagrancy, was again picked up by the police yesterday. It is probable that Anderson will be sent to the chain gang, as he does not seem to like the idea of leaving Alexandria.

ICE BRIDGE